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From: Ferguson, Jana (DPH)
Sent: Tuesday, November 21, 2017 12:50 PM
To: Moran, Gary (DEP)
Cc: Sullivan, Jan (DPH); Barrelle, Jennifer (DPH); Mangan, Thomas (DPH); Tucker, Lindsey (DPH)
Subject: RE: Fore River Legislators Letter
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Hi Gary –

We made a couple of additional small edits based on some feedback we received this morning. These were recommended to better clarify the HIA project.

I've highlighted the edits in yellow for easier review.

If these are acceptable to you, we are fine with this version proceeding.

Thank you for your patience and have a very Happy Thanksgiving!

Jana

From: Moran, Gary (DEP)
Sent: Tuesday, November 21, 2017 12:36 PM
To: Ferguson, Jana (DPH)
Cc: Sullivan, Jan (DPH); Barrelle, Jennifer (DPH)
Subject: RE: Fore River Legislators Letter

Is there any additional feedback on the letter?

From: Ferguson, Jana (DPH)
Sent: Thursday, November 16, 2017 10:57 AM
To: Moran, Gary (DEP)
Cc: Sullivan, Jan (DPH); Barrelle, Jennifer (DPH)
Subject: Re: Fore River Legislators Letter

Thank you Gary. We will be in touch

Sent from my iPad

On Nov 14, 2017, at 1:34 PM, Moran, Gary (DEP) <Gary.Moran@MassMail.State.MA.US> wrote:

I am good with the edits, so if you want to complete your review, I will hold off on forwarding this any further until we receive DPH/EHS approval. Thanks

From: Sullivan, Jan (DPH)
Sent: Thursday, November 09, 2017 3:43 PM
To: Moran, Gary (DEP)
Cc: Barrelle, Jennifer (DPH); Ferguson, Jana (DPH)
Subject: RE: Fore River Legislators Letter

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Hi Gary:

Attached are DPH's comments on the draft letter to the legislators from Governor Baker. We'll need to send the final letter to our Secretary before it is sent out. Once you are comfortable with a final draft, please let us know and send me the final copy back so that we can share it with our Commissioner and EHS. I anticipate that this will take a few days on our end, but we will let you know once we have approval.

Thanks very much, and I appreciate your patience in getting our comments.

Jan

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From: Moran, Gary (DEP)
Sent: Wednesday, November 01, 2017 4:16 PM
To: Sullivan, Jan (DPH)
Cc: Barrelle, Jennifer (DPH); Ferguson, Jana (DPH)
Subject: Fore River Legislators Letter

I have attached a letter from the Fore River legislative delegation regarding the HIA...EOEEA sent it to us, requesting we draft a response (for the Gov's office, I believe) in coordination with DPH. Attached is an initial cut at a response---please let me know of any suggested edits.

We also need to followup and discuss a revised, perhaps a bit more detailed, scope of work. Give me a call when you have a chance. Thanks

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Dear....

Thank you for your letter of October 10, 2017, relative to the Atlantic Bridge Project and the Health Impact Assessment of the Fore River area. The Lieutenant Governor and I place tremendous value on the efforts by our Administration to work ~~the~~ with elected officials ~~in~~ to ensure that the needs of the communities they represent are being met.

We appreciate the input you provided regarding important elements of the Health Impact Assessment (HIA). As you know, recognizing the serious concerns regarding the air quality in the Fore River area and the potential impact of the proposed project on air quality and public health, I directed the Department of Public Health (DPH) and the Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) to jointly prepare the ~~Public~~ thea focused HIA-Health Impact Assessment. This assessment will document the current background air levels at the site, and the incidence and/or prevalence of relevant health conditions within current health status of the community, and will also consider the future air quality impacts of the project on public health.

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DPH and MassDEP have been coordinating to develop a scope for the HIA. ~~We have instructed them to incorporate the, and are committed to the important elements you raised in your letter, including: clear guidelines and criteria; open communication and ample notice of events and activities; public access to all relevant documents; and commitment of resources for a robust process. Ultimately, the final scope and elements of the HIA will be determined after engagement and consultation with local stakeholders and community leaders.~~

We appreciate and share your goal of a transparent, impartial, and independent evaluation of these issues. ~~We and~~ will share with you the draft ~~Scope~~ scope for the HIA when it is finalized. ~~Ultimately~~ Toward this end, the final scope and elements of the HIA will be determined after following engagement and consultation with local stakeholders and community leaders. The assessment will be completed prior to the issuance of any air permits by MassDEP.

The Baker-Polito Administration remains committed to ensuring the ~~community's~~ communities' that community concerns are heard fully, and will work with you to ensure that the needs of the people residents of the Fore River area are given due and timely consideration by ~~both~~ the state agencies reviewing this project, as well as and the federal regulators making the primary decisions regarding this project.

Sincerely,